COLUMBUS DAY, 1955

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

October 10, 1955 [No. 3115]

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS Christopher Columbus, with a fleet of three vessels, daringly set sail upon an unknown sea and persevered until he landed upon a strange shore, thus discovering a new continent and a new

WHEREAS appropriate recognition should be given to the memory of this great navigator, whose exploits have inspired other brave men throughout the centuries to seek those opportunities which lie beyond the horizon; and

WHEREAS October 12, 1492, the date of the sighting of land by Columbus' intrepid crew, marks the beginning of a new epoch in mankind's ever-widening search for a freer and a richer life; and

WHEREAS a grateful Congress, in appreciation of the debt we owe to Christopher Columbus, by a joint resolution approved April 30, 1934 (48 Stat. 657), requested the President to issue a proclamation designating October 12 of each year as Columbus Day:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER, President Columbus Day, of the United States of America, do hereby designate Wednesday, the twelfth day of October, 1955, as Columbus Day, and I direct that the flag of the United States be displayed on all Government buildings on that day. I also invite our citizens to observe this anniversary with ceremonies designed to honor the discoverer of America.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the United States of America to be affixed.

DONE at the City of Washington this 10th day of October in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-five, and of [SEAL] the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and eightieth.

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

By the President: JOHN FOSTER DULLES, Secretary of State.

THANKSGIVING DAY, 1955

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

October 11, 1955

A PROCLAMATION

The custom of devoting one day each year to national thanksgiving is a wise and an ancient one, hallowed by observance in the days before we became a Nation, and sanctioned throughout the succeeding generations. It is therefore in keeping with our oldest traditions that at the fruitful season of the waning year we turn again to Almighty God in grateful acknowledgement of His manifold blessings.

At this time of thanksgiving, may we express our deep appreciation of those forebears who, more than three centuries ago, celebrated the first Thanksgiving Day. Through their industry and courage, our Nation was hewn from the virgin forest, and through their steadfastness and faith, the ideals of liberty and justice have become our cherished inheritance.

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36 USC 146.

May we lift up our hearts in special prayers of gratitude for the abundance of our endowments, both material and spiritual, for the preservation of our way of life, in its richness and fullness, and for the religious faith which has wielded such a beneficent influence upon our destiny. May we show our thanks for our own bounty by remembrance of those less fortunate, and may the spirit of this Thanksgiving season move us to share with them to alleviate their need.

Thanksgiving Day, 1955.

55 Stat. 862. 5 USC 87b. NOW, THEREFORE, I, DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER, President of the United States of America, having in mind the joint Congressional resolution of December 26, 1941, which designated the fourth Thursday of November in each year as Thanksgiving Day and made that day a legal holiday, do hereby proclaim Thursday, the twenty-fourth day of November, 1955, as a day of national thanksgiving; and I urge all our citizens to observe the day with reverence. Let us, on the appointed day, in our homes and our accustomed places of worship, each according to his own faith, bow before God and give Him humble thanks.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the United States of America to be affixed.

DONE at the City of Washington this eleventh day of October in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-five, and [SEAL] of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and eightieth.

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

By the President:
John Foster Dulles,
Secretary of State.

TERMINATION OF GUATEMALAN TRADE AGREEMENT PROCLAMATION

October 17, 1955 [No. 3117]

69 Stat, 162. 19 USC 1351. BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, under the authority vested in him by section 350 (a) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended by the act of June 12, 1934, entitled "An Act to amend the Tariff Act of 1930" (48 Stat. 943), the President of the United States entered into a trade agreement with the President of the Republic of Guatemala on April 24, 1936 (49 Stat. 3990), and proclaimed such trade agreement by proclamation of May 16, 1936 (49 Stat. 3989); and

WHEREAS the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Guatemala have agreed to terminate the said trade agreement effective October 15, 1955; and WHEREAS the said section 350 (a) of the Tariff Act of 1930,

as amended, authorizes the President to terminate, in whole or in part, any proclamation carrying out a trade agreement entered into under such section:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER, President of the United States of America, acting under and by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the statutes, including the said section 350 (a) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, do proclaim that the said proclamation dated May 16, 1936 shall be terminated as of the close of October 14, 1955.

Termination of Guatemalan Trade Agreement Proclamation.

69 Stat. 162. 19 USC 1351. 49 Stat. 3989.